

Tuesday Morning, May 20, '62.

**Notice to Mail Subscribers.**  
We wish our friends who are sending us subscriptions by mail, for less than a year to cut out and bear in mind this tariff of rates, and so avoid misunderstandings.

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**Boy Wanted.**  
A boy is wanted at this office to feed a power press. A steady boy can secure a permanent situation by making application to-day.

**The Case of Robert Marshall.**  
JURY OF THE PEACE.—We announced yesterday morning that a bench warrant had been issued by Judge Berkshire for the arrest of Robert Marshall, upon complaint of Sherrard Clemens, who made oath that he had reason to believe that Marshall intended to do himself or family or property, some injury. The case came up in the circuit court yesterday morning. Mr. Clemens, who conducted his own case, made it appear by his own testimony and the testimony of others, that Marshall had killed some poultry belonging to Clemens—that he had sprinkled poison about the latter's corn-crib, and that he had probably written, or caused to be written, offensive words upon the fence leading to Clemens' residence, which is near that of Marshall. Clemens is a tenant of Marshall, and his lease does not expire until the first of April next. It also appeared that Marshall had, in divers ways, annoyed Clemens' family.

N. Richardson, Esq., appeared for Marshall. Some thirty odd witnesses were examined as to Marshall's character for peace, the most of whom testified that he was rather violent in his passions, but was not regarded as a very dangerous man. One witness testified that he had once heard of Marshall's hitting an ear of one of his horses in a fit of passion. After hearing the evidence in the case, Judge Berkshire held Marshall to bail in the sum of two hundred dollars to keep the peace for one year.

At a subsequent period, Marshall was taken before the United States Commissioner Forbes, where he gave bail in the sum of five thousand dollars, which secured his release from the Athenaeum, where he had been confined by order of Major Darr, upon the charge of uttering seditious language and denouncing the government.

**Old Horses.**—Among the hundreds of horses which are coming into the city for Government use, we notice some of the most unalloyably, thoroughly used up old crow-baits that ever stood on four legs. They look more like hat-racks than they do like horses. They will never be worth more than two days service in Western Virginia, and it is our opinion that the money paid for them is thrown away.

In this connection we may mention a rare instance of patriotism and true honesty. An old gentleman who lives not far from this city, had an old horse which he had driven in his carriage for many years, and which had become almost entirely useless. The old fellow, nevertheless, was pretty sleek, and had his ribs tolerably well lined with flesh, and for a few minutes could go as well as any other horse. A speculator wanted to buy the horse, but happened to remark that he intended selling him to the government. The old gentleman who owned the horse remarked that the animal was of little or no use to him, but he would not be a party to such a bare-faced swindle for twenty times the value of the best horse in the country.

**The Press.**—There is no estimating the immense amount of intellectual labor and enterprising research employed in the conduct of the local department of the *Wheeling Press*. For instance, it announced in yesterday morning's edition that there are "two battalions of cavalry at Camp Carlisle;" that the "weather is summerlike;" that the "fruit prospect is promising;" that "the hostility of the residents of the Valley of Virginia to the government is implacable;" that a funeral took place and "a goodly number of carriages mingled in the procession;" that "the sidewalks are being repaired;" and in the sequelance the city "presents a healthy appearance." All this appears in one issue, together with many other matters of equally startling importance. The generous public, to which the *Press* appealed so piteously the other morning, cannot fail to appreciate the tremendous amount of talent which is evidently employed by that paper, and the brilliant paragraphs which consequently appear upon all important subjects.

**A Couple of Young Thieves.**—Yesterday afternoon a lad named John Conner was arrested and taken before Alderman Robertson, charged with stealing money from a Church contribution box. The other fellow, as his case was being adjudicated, jumped out upon the roof of the Market-house, and from that to the street, up which he ran and escaped.

A little news boy, named Loomis, yesterday afternoon went into a liquor store, on Market-square, and helped himself to a considerable sum of money from the money drawer of the house. He was committed to jail by Alderman Robertson.

**Killed.**—Mr. George Moate, son of Henry Moate, of Ritchie county, who volunteered in Company K, 3d Virginia Regiment, under Capt. Hall, was clandestinely shot a few days since while asleep, by a band of rebels. Mr. H. Fletcher was shot at the same time. Both were killed. Mr. Clayton and some three or four others, were also badly wounded at the same time. It is supposed Clayton is dead before this. It is supposed Clayton is dead before this.

**WANTS A SITUATION.**—A steamboat Captain at this port recently received the following application, the style of which and the modesty of the applicant will be appreciated by the public for whose benefit we insert the document:

WILLIAMSTOWN Wood Co Va.  
May 2d 61.

Dear Sir: I take pleasure in writing to you to know whether you have a full crew or not. I am not a single young man. Well calculated for a boatman. Well raised and decent and respectable farmer. Son I am not a young fellow just ready to deceive the people but I am just what I am and nothing else and if I have nothing more to say

I am not subject to drunkardness very clear of that under stand Capt. I do not expect to be Capt. of the boat or Clerk but I would expect some good hire and wages. I would like to learn the river from Parkersburg to Wheeling I want a birth that work attached to it I was raised to work. Work is My Name I am a kind of a water fowl, all ways lived of the river and flat boated all my life.

But never steamedboat any I have been to Neworleans a flat boating I am an old hand at that.

If you want a Man to answer Precisely to that Description I am the Vary man you want.

Please Write a few lines And leave at Marietta and I will Come immediately.

**ALMOST A FIRE.**—Yesterday a young man employed in the drug store of Mr. A. C. Good, went into the cellar of the establishment to draw some sulphuric ether. By some means he dropped the bottle containing the fluid, and in an instant he was surrounded with flame. The young man beat a retreat, of course, and raised the alarm. An attempt was made to extinguish the flames with water, which availed nothing. Fortunately, Mayor Sweeney happened to be passing, and had sufficient presence of mind to seize some bed clothing, with which he ran into the cellar, and with the assistance of others, soon succeeded in smothering the flames.

The cellar was full of combustible and explosive material, and had the flames not been promptly extinguished, a very disastrous accident happened in this same establishment some weeks ago, but like the present one, was attended with no considerable damage.

**WHAT IT COSTS TO TAKE SHELTER FROM THE RAIN.**—On Saturday night Capt. Mallory, of the 6th Ohio Cavalry, was riding down Market street, when there came a heavy shower of rain. The Captain rode his horse upon the sidewalk under shelter of the Market-house, when he was arrested and taken before Alderman Robertson, who fined him about four dollars.

**HOOLEY AND CAMPBELL'S MINISTERS** will perform in this city on Thursday evening next. This troupe has a reputation as broad as the land, and as enviable as that of any other troupe in the country. They will draw crowded houses.

**MORE PRISONERS.**—Three prominent citizens of Monterey, Highland county, and one citizen of Petersburg, were brought to the city last evening and confined in the Athenaeum. They were sent here by Gen. Fremont, by whose order they were arrested.

**CONTRACT FOR BEEF.**—The contract for supplying Generals Schenck, Milroy and Bleeker with beef, has been awarded to W. W. Robbins, of Detroit. The award was made by Major Clary, Chief Quartermaster, on the 15th, in this city.

**Hail.**—There was a heavy shower of hail on the other side of the river, Saturday night last. The drops came down as big as walnuts, and caused everybody to skedaddle.

**NOT A WOMAN IN JAIL.**—There is not now a single woman in the county jail. This has not been the case before within the experience of the present jailor.

**The London Quarterly for April.**  
From Leonard, Scott & Co., New York, the re-publishers, we have the April No. of the *London Quarterly*. The contents are:

1st, Dorset; 2d, Hymnology; 3d, State and Prospects of Turkey; 4th, Training of the Clergy; 5th, Life of Turner; 6th, the Eastern Archipelago; 7th, Stanhope's Life of Pitt; 8th, the Merrimack and Monitor.

**NOTICE.**  
On and after Tuesday, May 20th, the Steamer *SIGNET* will run on the following time, until further notice:

Leave Martinsville at 6:00 A. M.	2:30 P. M.
Leave Wheeling on way down at 6:15 and 9:45 A. M.	2:30 P. M.
Leave Baltimore at 7:00 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
Leave Wheeling on way up at 5:15 A. M. and 12:15 and 6:30 P. M.	my20

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

**ECONOMY IS WEALTH.**—Save your money by buying the Saponifer, or Concentrated Lye, for making hard or soft Soap, one pound will make nine pounds of good hard Soap, or nine gallons of beautiful white soft Soap, also Babbitt's Concentrated Potash, Babbitt's Celebrated Soap Powder, or washing without labor. Wanted to take the stains out of Table Linen and Napkins. For sale by Reed & Kraft.

**PERFECT YOUR BLOOD** by using Ayer's Sarsaparilla, Lindsey's Blood Scurver, Robb's Blood Purifier, Dr. John Bell's Improved Sarsaparilla, Scott's Blood and Liver Syrup, Jayne's Alternative or Brompton's Fluid Extract of Sarsaparilla and Dandelion. For sale by Reed & Kraft.

**Berchav's Holland Bitters, Arnold's Celebrated Stomach Bitters, Hoodland's German Bitters, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, Sanford's Liver Invigorator, Kennedy's Medical Discovery.** For sale by Reed & Kraft.

**Sir James Clark's Female Periodical Pills, Eoff's Pills, Todd's Pills, Ayer's Pills, Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills, McLean's and Jayne's Pills, Klett's Worm Plums, Frey's Vermifuge, White Wash Brushes, Scrub Brushes, Paint and Varnish Brushes, Hair, Cloth, Nail and Tooth Brushes in great variety.** For sale by

**REED & KRAFT, Centre Wheeling Drug Store.**

**A CARD.**—Mrs. W. C. presents her compliments, and recommends her friends, when they wish to make an elegant Jelly, to use *Cox's Sparkling Gelatine*. For sale by T. H. Logan & Co., and Logan, List & Co., Druggists.

**FOUND IT OUT!**—We heard a lady say, a day or two ago, that she had been looking for a good hair brush in vain, until she stepped in at 47, Main street, (T. H. Logan & Co.'s Drug House,) where she bought an elegant one. Several persons have "found out" that it is the place to secure fine Brushes, Perfumeries, Soaps, Pure Medicines, Housekeeping Articles, &c.

**DO YOU LIVE IN TOWN OR COUNTRY?**—No matter! A handy place to get what you want in the line of Drugs, Medicines, Paints, Oils, Brushes, Perfumeries, Spices, Notions, &c., is at T. H. Logan & Co.'s No. 47, Main st., or Logan, List & Co.'s, Bridge Corner.

**COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE.**  
The undersigned offers himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of the Revenue for the district of Ohio, at the ensuing general election.

**FOR SHERIFF.**—We are desirous to announce ALONZO LORING as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Ohio county, at the ensuing general election.

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**TO THE VOTERS OF OHIO COUNTY:**  
I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for Commissioner of the Revenue for the county district of Ohio county.

**COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE.**—Messrs. Editors.—I am desirous to announce myself in the voters of Ohio County, as a Union candidate for the office of Commissioner of the Revenue, country district. I respectfully solicit the suffrages of my fellow-citizens.

**COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE.**—Messrs. Editors.—Please announce SAMUEL SMITH, former Jailor of this city, as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of the Revenue for the country.

**UNION CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE.**—I respectfully request of many city and country friends, to give me their support for the office of sheriff, at the ensuing election.

**ISAAC IRWIN, Esq.**

**SPECIAL NOTICES.**  
**Heimstreet's Inimitable Hair Restorer.**  
This is the original article, so long known for promoting a luxuriant growth of the hair, and restoring original color, however gray. Sold at the Medicine Depot, 202 Broadway, N. Y., and by all Druggists.

**REMARKS.**—You can have an enduring, always ready, and reliable class of pen exactly adapted to your hand and style of writing, which will do your writing vastly cheaper than steel pens. If you want it, see "The Pen is Mightier than the Sword," in another column.

**"CHEMICAL WRITING FLUID."**  
We are indebted to Messrs. E. Barr & Co. for a supply of Laquelin & Bushfield's Ink, an article we have been using exclusively for the year past.

"It is manufactured at Wheeling, West Virginia, by a firm whose loyalty never for a moment wavered, and to whom patriotism the highest compliment we can pay would be to say that it is as good as the free, as enduring, and permanent as their ink, with which we make this record."

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## By Telegraph.

## AFTERNOON DISPATCHES.

**From Com. Dupont—The Steamer Planter.**  
WASHINGTON, May 18.—The following interesting report from Commander Parrott has been received at the Navy Department, having been forwarded by Commander Dupont:

**U. S. STEAMSHIP AGENTS.**  
OFF CHARLESTON, May 13th, 1862.

Sir: I have the honor to inform you that the rebel armed steamer Planter was brought out to us this morning from Charleston, by eight contrabands, and delivered to the squadron. Five colored women and three children are also on board, and four large guns which she was engaged in transporting. I send her Port Haul at once, in order to take advantage of the present good weather. I send Charleston papers of the 12th, and the very intelligent contraband who was in charge will give you the information which he has brought off.

I have the honor to request that you will send back, as soon as convenient, the officer and crew sent on board.

Commodore Dupont, in forwarding this Dispatch says, in relation to the rebel steamer Planter: She was the armed District of the department at Charleston, under Brigadier-General Pickens, whose lack, a short time since, was brought out to the blockading fleet by several contrabands. The bringing out of this steamer, under all the circumstances, would have done credit to any one. At four o'clock in the morning, in the absence of the Captain, who was on shore, she left her wharf, closed to the government office and headquarters, with the aid of the contrabands, and sailing as usual by blowing her steam whistle. After getting beyond the range of the last gun, she quickly hauled down the rebel flag and hoisted a white one. The Onward was the inside ship of the blockading fleet in the main channel, and was preparing to fire when her commander made out the white flag.

The armament of the steamer is a 32-pounder or pivot, and a five 24-pounder howitzer. She has a boiler on her deck, four other guns, one a 7-inch rifle, which were to be taken to the new fort on the middle ground. One of the four belonged to Fort Sumter, and had been struck in the rebel attack on the fort on the muzzles. Robert, the intelligent slave and pilot of the boat, who performed this bold feat so skillfully, informed me of this fact, promising to be a matter of interest to me to have possession of this gun. This man, Robert Small, is superior to any who have come into our lines. Intelligent as many of them have been, his information has been most interesting, and portions of it of the utmost importance.

The steamer is quite a valuable acquisition to the squadron by her good machinery and very light draught. The officers of the gunboat brought her through St. Helena Sound, and by the inland passage down Beaufort river, and Bayou Sara at her left. On board the steamer, when she left Charleston were 8 men, 5 women and 3 children. I shall continue to employ Robert as pilot on board the Planter for inland waters, with which he appears very familiar. I do not know whether in the views of the Government the vessel will be considered a prize, but if so I respectfully request the department to claim the claims of Robert Small and his assistant.

Very respectfully, your obt. servt.  
S. P. DUPONT, Flag Officer Commanding.

**Latest from the South.**  
BEFORE CORINTH, May 17.—The *Macon Telegraph* condemns in severe language the conduct of the rebel troops at Bridgeport, by which the most important gateway to our State was opened to the enemy, and possession of all our rich mines and deposits of coal, iron and saltpetre placed in imminent danger.

Martial law has been proclaimed over Charleston and two miles surrounding. The *Memphis Appeal* says the government wants and must have all the tin roofs on cotton sheds in that city.

The *Vicksburg Citizen* of the 9th says nothing was heard of the Federal fleet at Tonica.

Yesterday a large frigate, supposed to be the Brooklyn, passed Bayou Sara at nine o'clock, A. M. of the 8th, going down.

The *Baton Rouge Advocate* has closed its doors and suspended publication, on account of the approach of the Federal gunboats.

Col. Posser, commanding the post at Memphis, publishes a special order, by order of Beauregard, requiring all banks, and to whom patriotism the highest compliment we can pay would be to say that it is as good as the free, as enduring, and permanent as their ink, with which we make this record.

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HAYE JUST OPENED A LARGE STOCK OF

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No. 347 Baltimore St., BALTIMORE, MD.

The entire stock was purchased in September and October, at prices enabling us to sell at low prices on such terms as will make it the interest of both city and country merchants to examine their stock.

**PAINTS, GROCERS' DRUGS, &c.**  
A great variety of articles suited to the retail and jobbing trade, for sale at low rates for cash, by

T. H. LOGAN & CO., 47 Main St., and LOGAN, LIST & CO., Bridge corner, Wholesale & Retail Druggists, Wheeling, Va.

## General Hunter to be Recalled.

BALTIMORE, May 19.—The *Herald's* Washington dispatch says the recall of General Hunter is fully determined. In his proclamation, he will be made the subject of a communication by the President to Congress, and in that way to the country, announcing the course of General Hunter, and clearly announcing the policy of the administration in the conduct of the war.

An effort has been made to have General Benham placed in command of the Department of the South, instead of General Hunter.

The *Tribune's* despatch says it is confidently asserted that the President has determined to modify Gen. Hunter's order of freedom, by requiring him to conform to the act of Congress at the expiration of which only those slaves actually employed in military service by the rebels are liberated. There is reason to believe however, that whatever the inclination of the President may have been at the reception of the order, and whatever he may have said to anxious quiescents, the decision is yet to be announced, and will be postponed until those members of the Cabinet who are now absent return.

**Trial of Judge Hardy in San Francisco.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—The trial of Judge Hardy, of the Sixteenth U. S. District Court, ended to-day before the State Senate. He was convicted by a two-thirds vote (the majority required by the Constitution) of disloyalty to the government in uttering seditious language. A resolution of expulsion from office passed by 21 to 14. Various other charges against him, such as corruption in office, drunkenness, etc., were not sustained, although in some cases the majority was against him. The charges of misconduct in the trial of Judge Terry, for killing Senator Broderick, failed by tie vote. He was the Judge before whom Terry was acquitted.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—It is unofficially stated that Commodore Goldsborough has taken possession of the two batteries on the James River, one of which was silenced by the *Galena* on her way to Richmond.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The steamer Blackstone has arrived with the First New York Fire Zouaves, formerly Ellsworth's regiment, to be mustered out of service.

## LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES.

**Proclamation by the President.**  
WASHINGTON, May 19.—The following proclamation has been issued by the President:

WHEREAS, There appears in the public prints what purports to be a proclamation of Major General Hunter, in the words and figures following, to wit:

"HONORABLES DEPT. OF THE SOUTH,"  
HILTON HEAD, S. C., May 14.

The three States of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, comprising the military Department of the South, having deliberately declared themselves no longer under the protection of the United States of America, and having taken up arms against the President of the United States, it becomes a military necessity to declare them under martial law. This was accordingly done on the 25th day of April, 1862.

Slavery and martial law in a free country are altogether incompatible. The persons in these three States (Georgia, Florida and South Carolina) heretofore held as slaves are therefore declared forever free.

[Signed],  
DAVID HUNTER, Major Gen. Comd'g.

And whereas, the same is producing some excitement and misunderstanding; therefore I, Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States of America, proclaim and declare that the government of the United States had no knowledge, information or belief an intention on the part of Gen. Hunter to issue such a proclamation; nor has it yet any authentic information that the document is genuine; and further, that neither Gen. Hunter nor any other commander or person has been authorized by the Government of the United States to make a proclamation declaring the slaves of any State free; and that the supposed proclamation now in question, whether genuine or false, is altogether void, so far as respects such declaration.

I further make known that, whether it be competent for me as Commander-in-Chief of the army and navy to declare the slaves of any State free, and whether at any time, in any case, it shall have become a necessity, "Indispensable to the maintenance of the government, to exercise such supposed power, are questions which, under my responsibility, I reserve to myself, and which I cannot feel justified in leaving to the decision of commanders in the field.

These are totally different questions from those of police regulations in the armies and camps.

On the 6th day of March last, by a special message, I recommended to Congress the adoption of a joint resolution, to be substantially as follows:

Resolved, That the United States ought to co-operate with any State which may adopt a gradual abolishment of slavery, giving to such state pecuniary aid, to be used by such state in its discretion, to compensate for the inconveniences public and private, produced by such change of system.

The resolution in the language above quoted was adopted by large majorities in both branches of Congress, and now stands an authentic, definite and solemn proposal of the nation to these States and people most immediately interested in the subject matter. To the people of those States I now earnestly appeal. I do not argue. I beseech you to make the arrangements for yourselves. You cannot if you would be blind to the signs of the times. I beg of you a calm and enlarged consideration of them, ranging, if it may be, far above personal and partisan politics. The people makes common cause for a common object, casting no reproaches upon any. It sets not the Pharisee. The change it contemplates would come gently as the dews of Heaven, not raining or wrecking anything. Will you not embrace it? So much good has not been done by one effort in all past time, as the providence of God it is now your highest privilege to do. May the future not have to lament that you have neglected it.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington, this nineteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and of the independence of the United States the eighty-sixth.

[Signed], ABRAHAM LINCOLN.  
By the President:  
WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Sec. of State.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The French steamer *Montezuma*, from Vera Cruz on the 8th inst., arrived at this port to-day. She reports that the army of Mexico is marching on the city of Mexico, meeting with but little opposition.

## From Gen. McClellan's Command.

(From the Army Correspondent Associated Press.)  
WHITE HOUSE, Va., Sunday, May 18, 1862.

The advance guard of our forces on the main road to Richmond, by way of Bottom's Bridge, drove the enemy across the Chickahominy river at that point, yesterday morning. When our troops arrived within half a mile of the bridge, which is burned, they were opened upon by a brisk fire of artillery from the opposite side of the river. No one was injured.

This bridge is 15 miles from Richmond. At this point our troops will experience considerable difficulty in crossing, as the country is low and swampy on both of the river.

A reconnaissance was made yesterday by one of the gunboats, with two companies of infantry, under Major Willard, and one section of Ayre's battery, up the Pamunkey River, a distance of 25 miles from here. At a point known as Russell's Landing, they found the steamer Logan, 1 propeller and 1000 schooners on fire. They were laden mostly with cotton, which was being unloaded. Some contrabands there stated that when the rebels heard our gunboats coming, they commenced putting the corn on board again, so as to insure its destruction. A few shells soon dispersed the remaining rebels in that locality, when the boat returned to the White House.

The roads for the past three days have been next to impassable, owing to the recent heavy rains. A division train was 36 hours making, and with teams doubled, together with assistance furnished by a large number of troops. The advance of the army from this point must necessarily be slow. From here it loses the benefit of river transportation, requiring all the supply trains at the disposal of the Quarter Master's Department to furnish as vast a body of men with subsistence. The bridge between here and the enemy has been destroyed, and every imaginable obstruction placed in the way of our advance.

The Richmond Dispatch of the 12th, has a lengthy article on the evacuation of Norfolk and Yorktown and the conduct of the war. Generally, it says, by abandoning detached posts which are within the reach of the enemy's fleet, and which it is, therefore, impossible to defend, we are enabled to concentrate powerful forces upon essential points, and to buffet the enemy in every attack of vital importance.

The same paper makes mention of a terrible panic in Richmond on Friday, on the approach of our gunboats.

This being Sunday, the army of the Potomac has ceased its labors. The troops remain in camp, enjoying a day of rest.

## CONGRESSIONAL HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, May 19.

Mr. Bingham, of Ohio, from the Special Committee of the House, reported articles of impeachment against West H. Humphreys, Judge of the District Court of the U. S., for the several Districts of Tennessee. The report was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bingham, a resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of five commissioners to conduct the impeachment, and that the Senate be made acquainted with the action of the House with the view of concurrent proceedings in the premises.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

Mr. Washburn, of Illinois, is the Chair. The Navy Appropriation bill was taken up.

Mr. Hutchins, of Ohio, said he did not intend to discuss the war, nor the question of slavery. He then adjourned the bill heretofore introduced by him, to equalize and reduce the present various and incongruous rates of postage.

Mr. Richardson of Ill. believed that the strength of the army was sufficient to put down the rebellion, but the indications were that another and inferior force were to be armed and authorized, and placed on an equality with the whites. The